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Write your order plainly, stating how many bushels, **NOT BAR-RELS**, of potatoes you want.

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Order a prize package of Peas.

List of varieties and prices, named in about the order of ripening.

PRICE LIST.

	Season.	per pk.		per bu. 10 to 50 bushels	Second size per bushel
Triumph	Extra Early	.40	1.00	.65	.40
Ohio Junior	"	.40	1.00	.65	.50"
Polaris	Early	.40	1.00	.60	.40 ′
Early Ohio	- 11	.40	.90	60	.35
Everitt	"	.40	1.00		
Beauty of Hebron	,11	.40	1.00	.60	.40
Early Norther		.40	1.00	.60	.40
Early Rose		.40	1.00	.60	.40
Freeman	Medium	.40	1.00	.60	.40
World's Fair	"	.40	1.00	.60	.40
Cream City	44	.40	1.00	.60	.40
Great Divide	44	.60	1.50		.75
Crown Jewel	4.6	.40	1.00	.65	.40
Burbank	Medium Late	.40	1.00	.60	.40
Carman No. 1	- 11	.60	1.50		1.00
Irish Daisy		.50	1.25	.90	.60
Leonard	- ((.50	1.50		1.00
Rural New Yorker	Late	.40	1.00	.65	.50
Livingston's Banner	• •	.60	1.50		
Harvest King	"	.40	1.00	.65	.50
Hundred-Fold		.40	.90	.60	.40
Washington Victor		.40	.75	.60	.40
Russett Peachblow	- "	.40	.75	.60	.40

WRITE FOR PRICES ON CAR LOAD.

We sort our potatoes by putting them over wire screens; the larger varieties over a $1\frac{5}{4}$ inch mesh screen, and the smaller varieties over a $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch mesh. The second size all go over a $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch mesh. So the second size range from $1\frac{1}{4}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch in the smaller, and $1\frac{1}{4}$ to $1\frac{3}{4}$ inch in the larger varieties; while in the first class stock there will be nothing smaller than $1\frac{1}{4}$ or $1\frac{3}{4}$ inch, according to the variety.

We throw out all rough or ill-shaped tubers, whatever the size.

Descriptive List.

OHIO JUNIOR.

This is an excellent variety; with us, about ten days earlier than the Early Ohio, though almost identical with it in appearance. The Junior has a medium sized top with several large tubers growing close in the hill. It produces but very few small ones. They gave us a very large crop and our stock is very fine. Have only a few second size.

TRIUMPH.

This is the earliest of any thing we have to offer. It is a few days ahead of the Ohio Junior in ripening. Tubers are medium size, nearly round, and grow somewhat spreading in the hill. It is desirable for first early to put on the market green. Color is a reddish pink.

Largely grown in some southern states.

EARLY OHIO.

This—so wellknown that any description is hardly necessary—is close growing, large oval tubers. Very few small; one of the best to dig when green. Standard market sort.

In spite of the fact that some growers say the Ohio is a poor yielder, in the season of 1889 we grew 1735 bushels of very fine potatoes of this variety on exactly four acres of ground.

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BEAUTY OF HEBRON.

Old standard variety. Early; very fine quality; good cropper; shape—long, smooth, pink and white, clouded, changing to nearly pure white in spring.

Car load prices on application.

EARLY ROSE.

One of the best early varieties, well known every where as standard. Our crop this year was about 315 bu. per acre.

Prices on car load given on application.

EARLY NORTHER.

We got our seed of this sort from Henderson. It is of the Early, Rose type, though we think it an improvement on the Rose; perhaps a little earlier, and a little brownish in color. Very productive, close growing and vigorous. Very handsome, and an excellent variety.

EVERITT.

Also a Rose type, ripening with the Early Ohio. A little more pointed on the ends than the Rose, color of Early Norther, good cropper. Have only a few in stock.

CROWN JEWEL.

We purchased our seed of these last spring of Leonard of Chicago In his description—which we fully endorse—he says: "It is a wonderful cropper. The skin is white, having a rosy tint close to the eyes, and occasionally this rosy color extends over the whole potato." It resembles the Hebron in appearance and general habit of growth.

Prices on car load given on application.

POLARIS.

An excellent early white potato of oval form, and a very abundant yielder with us. We think it a very fine sort. It yielded us about 65 bushels to one bushel seed. Grows close.

See prize offer on page 10. \$15 for a name.

FREEMAN.

This variety, so extensively advertised by Mr. Maule and others, we have grown since the season of 1891, when we grew 268 bushels from three bushels and six pounds of seed. They are smooth, very handsome and of excellent quality.

We have much finer seed now than our first barrel contained which we got of Mr. Maule in the spring of 1891.

Prices on car load given on application.

WORLD'S FAIR.

This variety was introduced by L. L. Olds in 1893, and we have grown them since that time. We consider it a most excellent variety. It is larger than the Freeman through very similar. It has a slight straw color to the skin which is usually finely netted. The quality is very fine. Good yielder.

Prices on car load given on application.

CREAM CITY.

This, as the name indicates, is a Milwaukee potato. White skin, oval form, fine quality, season medium. With us it is of medium size but produced an abundant crop.

GREAT DIVIDE.

This variety, which sold at big prices last season, was originated in Iowa; and in a letter to us the originator, Mr. Van Ornam, says: "I consider it the best main crop potato on earth." While we think this a very strong expression to use about any variety, we think the Divide has some very good points. It is medium, in season; rather long and pointed at the stem end, white, excellent quality, grows rather spreading in hill; good yielder.

Order peas early; 25c per package, postpaid

IRISH DAISY.

This is the variety lately introduced by Maule, described as, "The greatest of all late potatoes," and as one that "out-yielded two to one" several of the high grade varieties. It is a smooth, oval, white, late, close growing potato. With us it is medium in size, and produced a good crop, though not as large as several other varieties. We think, however, that on our rich loam soil we should have gotten more potatoes if they had been planted a little farther apart in the row, as the top is very rank and strong growing, making a very showy appearance. They had the appearance of being crowded.

LEONARD.

This variety, named after the great Chicago seedsman, should surely do something to distinguish itself. We bought our seed of Mr. Leonard, but only planted a few. They are, with us, nearly round; a little oval and flat, white skin and present a good appearance. Size, about the average. Ripen a little ahead of Rural New Yorker.

RURAL NEW YORKER.

We consider this one of the very best of the late potatoes. It is pure white, round and flattened, with but few eyes, set on the surface, and one of the largest varieties we have. It brought us about 320 bushels to the acre this season with but very faw small ones. It seems to do well n a variety of soils and conditions. Excellent keeper.

Prices on car load on application.

LIVINGSTON'S BANNER.

We got our seed of these from A. W. Livingston's Sons, and we feel it due them to state that the potatoes sent us were by far the handsomest stock we got from any one last spring; and, when we came to dig them, we found the largest crop of fine tubers of anything we had on the place; giving us about 340 bushels to the acre. The potato is claimed by some to be identical with the Rural New Yorker, but with

us it is larger and grows closer in the hill and is a little more fine grained in appearance. We think the "Rural" will have a sharp contest if it holds the first place after the "Banner" becomes known. We have only a few to spare.

HARVEST KING.

This variety, which also closely resembles the "Rural," we purchased of Salzer; and, in justice, we must say we fail to see any particular difference between it and the "Rural." It is, therefore, a valuable variety and a good cropper. It certainly compares very favorably with the "Rural."

HUNDRED-FOLD.

This is also one of Salzer's, and gave us a good crop, but not exactly up to its name. The tubers are of varied form, being round like the Harvest King and some of them rather long or oval. Skin white, tubers good size, vigorous grower.

BURBANK.

Any description of this old, well known sort seems almost useless. It is white, rather long, smooth and a very popular variety in many localities, being frequently named at the head of the list in the trade bulletins issued from the big city markets.

WASHINGTON VICTOR.

A large, late variety that grows to enormous size in their native state. They gave us a fair crop of good sized tubers. The skin is dark, flesh white, shape nearly round, and eyes shallow. Have only a few.

RUSSETT PEACHBLOW.

We have grown these for three years and find them medium size; pink skin, very russetty, good cropper, eyes a little below the surface, as is peculiar to the old Peachblow family; good keeper.

Try the best Peas you ever tasted. See page 10.

CARMAN NO. 1.

This was originated by E. S. Carman and introduced in 1894. It is making quite a stir among potato growers. It is rather late, nearly round, sometimes uneven in form, white, about average size; good cropper. We have only a very limited supply to offer, as we planted only a few.

IRISH QUEEN.

We received a small quantity of this variety last spring for trial (Complimentary from L. L. May & Co.) The seed we planted was in poor condition and did not nearly all grow, but still we got some very handsome potatoes of good form, and in color resembling the Hebron. They attracted a good deal of attention at several fairs where they were exhibited last fall. Have none to sell this season,

SALZER'S KING OF THE EARLIES.

We received this variety last spring as a complimentary from The Salzer Seed Co. They seem to us to be identical with the Early Ohio. However a further test may show some difference.

Some General Observations about our Potatoes.

OUR CROP. We had one field of about eleven acres on which we had some of all the varieties named in the table on page 3, except the last two—in all, 20 varieties. The crop on these eleven acres was, by actual weight, a little over 270 bus. per acre of marketable stock. Four of the varieties yielded over 310 bus. per acre. We think this a good showing, in consideration of the extreme drouth.

TABLE QUALITY. The table quality of potatoes seems to be a little below the average this year. We can give no satisfactory reason for this, but when such varieties as Freeman and World's Fair and Hebron are not just about perfect there must be some conditions of weather (perhaps the extreme long-continued heat and drouth) to cause it. In general appearance and size, our potatoes are very good.

PEAS.==\$15 for a Name.

We have a new pea, purchased from the originator (Thos. Crane, of Ft. Atkinson, Wis.,) which we think is the best of anything we ever had for a main crop and late, sweet, wrinkled pea. We planted them last season under quite unfavorable conditions of weather, and got a very remarkable crop of the FINEST TABLE PEAS we ever tested. That may be saying a great deal, but all reports were the same from those who tested them. The vines grew, last season, from 2 TO $2\frac{1}{2}$ FT. HIGH and very branching at or near the root; frequently throwing six or more strong branches, and each one literally LOADED WITH pods, making, in many cases, over fifty pods to a single plant; and on some plants could be counted nearly ONE HUNDRED PODS. Owing to the very branching habit of growth, the peas should be planted very thinly in the row; not closer than one foot apart, to get the best results. The peas are large and wrinkled. The flavor was described by the man we bought of as 'EXQUISITE," and after trying them we thought he had put it about right. Whether you ever had as good a pea before or not, these are certainly of a MOST EXCELLENT QUALITY and wonderfully productive, if we may judge from the one-season test.

Now, what we propose to do is to sell you a package containing one-half an ounce (about 40) of these peas, by mail, post-paid, for 25c., and give you a chance to name them. The person sending in the most suitable name will be given a cash prize of **TEN DOLLARS**. Should more than one send in the name chosen, the second one received will be given a cash prize of **FIVE DOLLARS**. The judges will be three disinterested gardeners of this vicinity.

RULES.

FIRST. To compete for these prizes you must buy one or more packages of these peas, sending money with the order (2c. stamps received,) and state that you wish to compete for the prize.

SECOND. All names offered must be accompanied by a description of the peas as grown by you, so we may judge as to whether the name offered is suitable or not.

THIRD. All names must be here on or before August 1st, 1896; as the prize will be awarded soon after that time.

As we have only a limited quantity of these peas to spare, not more than four packages will be sold to any one party.

REMEMBER. We are not asking you as much as we pay for new varieties every year, and so are giving you the worth of your money.

Order early as we will probably be sold out long before planting time.

25c. per package of ½ oz.—post-paid, by mail.

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Our currant field we think is the finest in the North-West. We are, therefore, perhaps, a little proud of it. The bushes are at all stages of growth, from yearling slips to old bushes. We have the Long Bunch Holland and Prince Albert—both red, and a little later than the old Red Dutch. We have, also, a few Black. The bushes of all grow to an immense size and are in just about perfect condition.

The Holland has a little longer bunch, but the Prince Albert the largest berry. We consider both of them far ahead of anything else we have ever seen. Our field is nearly evenly divided between the two varieties. We had some Fay's Prolific, but dug them up because they were not worth cultivating. We have a few thousand Long Bunch Holland canes, still uncut from bushes, which we offer for Spring delivery; but are sold out on Prince Albert for Spring delivery.

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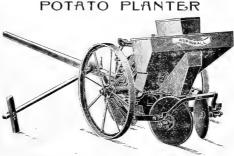
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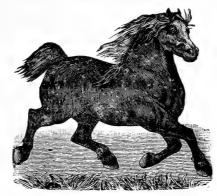
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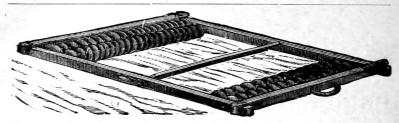
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